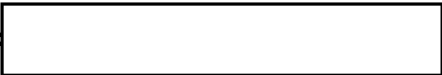


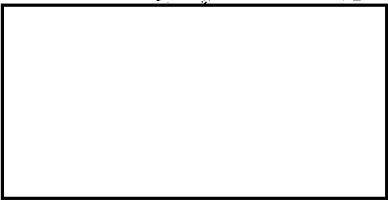
THE DIRECTOR OF  
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25X1 MEMORANDUM FOR: 

SUBJECT : Response to Attached  
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25X1 The very first sentence of your memo, in my view, overstates the NIO reaction to the KIQ/KEP process. Many shortcomings of the process were identified but I doubt that many of the NIOs would claim the process has failed entirely. Rather, the mood of the meeting was to recreate the process to eliminate these shortcomings. My only other observation is in paragraph (4) in the use of the words "fine-tune" which in fact do not indicate the real function of the KIQs. I know the language was used, but the sense of what the NIOs were saying was actually that the KIQs should provide guidelines for the activities of the Community. This may be debatable, but it is in any case, my view 

Attachment